## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

vs. 21-MJ-328

ERIC LEE GARCIA,

Defendant

## **MOTION FOR COMPETENCY EVALUATION**

COMES NOW the Defendant, by and through counsel, pursuant to 18 U.S. Code § 4241, and *Drop v. Missouri*, 420 U.S. 162 (1975) and moves the Court for an evaluation to determine if the Defendant is competent to stand trial and as grounds states:

- 1. The motion is based on a good faith belief that the Defendant may not be competent to stand trial and hereby states that this motion is not being filed for the purposes of delay.
- 2. Defendant's attorney states without violating attorney-client privilege and based upon facts and observations about the Defendant:
  - Counsel has reason to believe that the Defendant has been formally diagnosed with a severe form of intellectual disability.
  - b. The Defendant has the mindset and cognitive abilities of a five (5) year old child.
  - c. Defendant has no concept of what is occurring, or the magnitude of the allegations brought forward against him.
  - d. The Defendant cannot effectively consult with Counsel and assist in preparing his defense.

- 3. Pursuant to 18 U.S. Code § 4241 and Fed. R. Crim. P. 12.2 (c)(1)(a) the Defendant moves the Court for an order that the Defendant's competency be professionally evaluated by a psychologist, psychiatrist or other qualified professional.
- 4. The United States has been contacted and does not oppose this motion.
- The United States and Defendant agree to a competency evaluation conducted by Julie Brovko, PhD.
- 6. The Defendant is indigent.

WHEREFORE, Defendant prays that the Court issue an order for an evaluation or to send the Defendant to a BOP Medical Center to determine his competency to stand trial and assist in the defense.

Respectfully Submitted,
ADVOCATE LAW CENTER, P.A.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 15th day of March 2021, I filed the foregoing electronically through the CM/ECF system, which caused the following parties or counsel to be served by electronic means, as more fully reflected on the Notice of Electronic Filing, and that a true and correct copy were sent via Electronical Mail to: caseview.ECF@usdoj.gov